

SPECIALS!

Potatoes, per bu	\$1 40
White Corn Syrup, gal	90c
Bulk Oats, lb	8c
Navy Beans, lb	14c
Pinto Beans, lb	11½c
Corn Flour, lb	5c
Crackers, in cartons, lb	20c
Ben Davis Apples, peck	40c
2 Pounds Compound	55c
3 Cans Hominy	35c
4 Cans Kraut	65c
2 Tall Cans Milk	25c
2 Cans String Beans	25c
3 Small Cans Milk	20c
4 Cans Tomatoes	85c
4 Cans Corn	70c
2 Cans Pumpkin	35c
Gallon Can Table Peaches	75c
Gallon Can Apricots	75c
Gallon Can Apples	65c
Quart Jar Apple Butter	35c
Fresh Oysters, pint	40c

*Buy Your Xmas Candy
From Us!*

JOHN MEDCALF
Monroe City, Missouri

Aged Citizen Dead

Mrs. Mary Griffin, 81, years old, passed away at her home in this city early Monday morning, December 16, 1918, after an illness of several months. About six weeks ago she had the misfortune to fall and break her hip and owing to her advanced age she was unable to stand the shock.

Mary H. Jackson was born in Worcester County, Maryland, October 29, 1837. She was married to E. H. Griffin, April 2, 1856, he having passed away January 3, 1918. In this union four children were born, only two of whom are living.

In 1867 Mr. and Mrs. Griffin came to Missouri and after living several years on a farm near Shiel, in Ralls County, they came to this city twelve years ago, where they have since made their home.

She leaves to mourn her death two children, S. H. Griffin and Miss Annie Griffin of this city. Also six grand children, nine great grand children and two sisters and one brother.

Funeral services were held at the family home Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. H. C. Bolen. Burial was in DeMoss cemetery.

A scale of greatly reduced rates for short overnight messages, as distinguished from night letters, has been announced by the Western Union. The new rates are effective January 1. Under the new schedule short overnight messages may be sent a considerable distance for as low as 20 cents, while the maximum is 50 cents. It is hard to believe that there is to be a reduction in the telegraph rates, but the news above quoted has been confirmed and it is time that rates to certain points should be reduced.

The King business will soon be a thing of the past. Now-a-days no one would want to be king when so many are coming along and ordering him to get off the throne or suffer a few shots from a machine gun. Some day the people will rule and no man can hold a high office of any kind until he has been elected by the people—and honestly elected at that.

Whoever wrote that armistice knows how to draw a contract which would be proof against any thing the signer might possibly think up. Even the American army, with its big guns and tons of powder, could not possibly shoot a hole through such a contract as that one. It does not even allow the other fellow the privilege of breathing without first asking permission from the allies.

James W. Hagar received word from Dallas Texas that his brother, Elmer Hagar had died with influenza following pneumonia.

Miss Agnes Mudd was a Hannibal visitor Wednesday

McFarland-Smith

Clifford W. Smith of near this city and Mrs. Ursula McFarland of this city were united in marriage Wednesday afternoon December 18, 1918 at 3:30 o'clock at the home of the bride 309 Second St.

Rev. H. C. Bolen of the Methodist Church performing the ceremony. After the ceremony the happy couple left on the Wabash for a few days stay in Kansas City. The bride is a well known Monroe City lady who numbers her friends by her acquaintance. Mr. Smith is a progressive and is a most splendid young man.

A physician suggests that, since there is certain to be much sickness throughout the country this winter, it would prove of very great value if the farmers would drag the roads now and thereby make them in good condition for the winter. The argument of the physician is that, unless the roads are in good condition it is impossible frequently to get to patients in time to do them any good, and at times the roads get so bad that the physicians cannot travel them at all. The farmers will readily understand that the suggestion is a good one, and that it will be to their interest to drag the roads and keep them in the best condition possible.

W. A. Rinehart now has two large machines at work on the ranch east of town, one for the purpose of digging two open ditches extending from Heather Bay to the Rock Bridge Slough, a distance of about four and a half miles, and the other for excavating for fully fifteen miles of tile, averaging twenty inches. The money it takes to do this work would stagger most men, but Mr. Rinehart is used to operating on a big sale.—Palmyra Spectator.

The biggest and best line of Christmas Candies in Monroe City will be found at Christian's Cafe.

Mrs. W. W. Tait went to Quincy Thursday for a few days stay with her sister, Miss Maud Scott.

For Quick Sale—Household and kitchen furniture. Bell phone 233. Mrs. T. A. Finnigan

C. J. Peters, of Peoria, Ill., spent part of the week in this city transacting business.

Nothing in the candy line but the very best at Christian's Cafe.

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Xmas Eats!

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Canned Goods and Dried Fruits

J. S. HARRIS
Monroe City, Missouri

White Paper Again

This week the Democrat comes to you printed on white paper which we were able to procure after some trouble and expense. This paper costs us \$5.75 per hundred pounds, or a little more than \$120 per ton laid down.

A ton of paper is consumed by the Democrat in ninety days, so it is easily seen that blank paper is no small item in the newspaper office. The paper was formerly bought at 2 cents a pound and the subscription price of the Democrat \$1.00 per year.

This subscription price we are endeavoring to maintain in spite of the big advance of paper and in order to do so we ask our readers to pay up promptly at expiration of their subscription. Quite a number expire the first of the year and we trust all will take time to attend to renewals between now and that time.

Rev. R. A. Mitchell, of Palmyra President of the Hannibal District Epworth League, preached a good sermon at the Methodist Church Sunday evening.

The ladies of the Christian Church held their annual Christmas bazaar Friday and Saturday. A total of \$210.20 was realized from the sale.

Died at LaGrange

The sad message was received in this city Sunday evening telling of the death of Mrs. Charles Hugley, of LaGrange, Ill., near Chicago, death following a short illness of three days of pneumonia followed by influenza. Mrs. Hugley is well known in this city, she being before her marriage Miss Adelaide Lear. She was born and raised in this city and her death was a great shock to her many friends here. Her husband, Prof. Charles Hugley was for a number of years Supt. in the Monroe City public school. A private funeral was held Tuesday morning at LaGrange, Ill. Besides her husband and three children, two daughters and one son, she leaves her mother, Mrs. Catherine Lear, two brothers, Walter and Lewis Lear, all of Colorado.

Public Notice

All persons indebted to Dr. Martin, deceased, either on note or account, are requested to call on the administrator, W. B. Fahy, and settle the same at once. All books and accounts are now in his possession and must be closed at once.

See the fancy line of Christmas Candies now on display at Christian's Cafe. All nicely boxed and the prices are reasonable.



ONLY 4 MORE DAYS TO DO YOUR Christmas Shopping!

SUGGESTIONS: First and foremost, go to the store of the CHRISTMAS SPIRIT. The LOW PRICES will prove a revelation.

Blouses of Georgette Crepe and fashionable modes of Crepe de Chine for	\$5.00 and \$5.98
Silk Camisoles from	98c to \$3.00
Silk Hose from	\$1.25 to \$2.50
Kid Gloves, all sizes	\$2.00
Handkerchiefs	ALL PRICES

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